House File 2076 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act modifying sex offender registry requirements by
- 2 requiring certain sex offenders from out-of-state whose
- 3 registration requirements have expired to reregister, and
- 4 providing penalties.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

- 1 Section 1. Section 692A.102, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 2 paragraph 1, Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:
- 3 For purposes of this chapter, all individuals required to
- 4 register shall be classified as a tier I, tier II, or tier
- 5 III, or tier IV offender. For purposes of this chapter, sex
- 6 offenses are classified into the following tiers:
- 7 Sec. 2. Section 692A.102, subsection 1, Code 2016, is
- 8 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
- 9 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. Tier IV offenses include a conviction
- 10 for any sex offense that required a sex offender to register
- 11 under another jurisdiction's sex offender registry but such
- 12 registration requirement in that jurisdiction has since
- 13 expired.
- 14 Sec. 3. Section 692A.103, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 15 paragraph 1, Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:
- 16 A person who has been convicted of any sex offense classified
- 17 as a tier I, tier II, or tier III offense, or an offender
- 18 required to register in another jurisdiction under the other
- 19 jurisdiction's sex offender registry, shall register as a sex
- 20 offender as provided in this chapter if the offender resides,
- 21 is employed, or attends school in this state. A person who
- 22 has been convicted of any sex offense classified as a tier
- 23 IV offense shall register as a sex offender as provided in
- 24 section 692A.104A if the offender resides in this state. A sex
- 25 offender shall, upon a first or subsequent conviction, register
- 26 in compliance with the procedures specified in this chapter,
- 27 for the duration of time specified in this chapter, commencing
- 28 as follows:
- 29 Sec. 4. Section 692A.103, subsection 1, Code 2016, is
- 30 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
- 31 NEW PARAGRAPH. g. From the date of establishing a residence
- 32 in this state if the sex offender is a tier IV offender.
- 33 Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. 692A.104A Tier IV registration
- 34 process duration of registration.
- 35 l. Notwithstanding any other Code provision to the

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- 1 contrary, a sex offender classified as a tier IV offender
- 2 shall register and shall provide all relevant information
- 3 as specified in this section. All other provisions of this
- 4 chapter not in conflict with this section shall apply to a tier
- 5 IV offender. A sex offender classified as a tier IV offender
- 6 shall, within thirty days of being required to register under
- 7 section 692A.103, appear in person to register with the sheriff
- 8 of the county where the principal residence of the offender is
- 9 maintained. The sex offender is only required to provide the
- 10 sheriff the following relevant information:
- ll a. Name.
- 12 b. Date of birth.
- 13 c. Principal residence.
- 14 d. Photograph.
- 15 2. a. A tier IV offender is not required to verify any
- 16 relevant information as required by section 692A.108.
- 17 b. However, if a tier IV offender establishes a different
- 18 principal residence in this state the offender shall, within
- 19 thirty days of establishing the different principal residence,
- 20 appear in person to register with the sheriff of the county
- 21 where the principal residence is maintained even if that
- 22 different principal residence is in the same county as the
- 23 previous residence and provide the county sheriff with the
- 24 relevant information required under subsection 1 including
- 25 allowing the sheriff to photograph the offender.
- 3. A tier IV offender shall be required to register for as
- 27 long as the offender resides in this state.
- 28 Sec. 6. Section 692A.106, subsection 1, Code 2016, is
- 29 amended to read as follows:
- 30 1. Except as otherwise provided in section 232.54,
- 31 692A.103, 692A.104A, or 692A.128, or this section, the duration
- 32 of registration required under this chapter shall be for a
- 33 period of ten years. The registration period shall begin as
- 34 provided in section 692A.103.
- 35 Sec. 7. Section 692A.110, subsection 1, Code 2016, is

1 amended to read as follows: 2 1. A sex offender shall pay an annual fee in the amount of 3 twenty-five dollars to the sheriff of the county of principal 4 residence, beginning with the first required in-person 5 appearance at the sheriff's office after July 1, 2009. A tier 6 IV offender shall pay twenty-five dollars to the sheriff of the 7 county of principal residence at any time when the offender 8 is required to register under section 692A.104A. If the sex 9 offender has more than one principal residence in this state, 10 the offender shall pay the annual fee in the county where the 11 offender is first required to appear in person after July 1, The sheriff shall accept the registration. If, at the 13 time of registration, the sex offender is unable to pay the 14 fee, the sheriff may allow the offender time to pay the fee, 15 permit the payment of the fee in installments, or may waive 16 payment of the fee. Fees paid to the sheriff shall be used to 17 defray the costs of duties related to the registration of sex 18 offenders under this chapter. Section 692A.111, subsection 1, Code 2016, is Sec. 8. 20 amended to read as follows: 1. A sex offender who violates any requirements of section 21 22 692A.104, 692A.104A, 692A.105, 692A.108, 692A.112, 692A.113, 23 692A.114, or 692A.115 commits an aggravated misdemeanor for a 24 first offense and a class "D" felony for a second or subsequent 25 offense. However, a sex offender convicted of an aggravated 26 offense against a minor, a sex offense against a minor, or a 27 sexually violent offense committed while in violation of any 28 of the requirements specified in section 692A.104, 692A.104A, 29 692A.105, 692A.108, 692A.112, 692A.113, 692A.114, or 692A.115 30 is guilty of a class "C" felony, in addition to any other

31 penalty provided by law. Any fine imposed for a second or

34 for any violation of any requirements specified in this

32 subsequent violation shall not be suspended. Notwithstanding 33 section 907.3, the court shall not defer judgment or sentence

35 chapter. For purposes of this subsection, a violation occurs

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- 1 when a sex offender knows or reasonably should know of the
- 2 duty to fulfill a requirement specified in this chapter as
- 3 referenced in the offense charged.
- 4 EXPLANATION
- 5 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with 6 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 7 This bill modifies the sex offender registry requirements by
- 8 requiring certain sex offenders whose registration requirements
- 9 have expired to reregister.
- 10 The bill creates a tier IV offense and defines a tier IV
- 11 offense to mean any sex offense that required a sex offender to
- 12 register under another jurisdiction's sex offender registry but
- 13 such registration in that jurisdiction has since expired.
- 14 The bill requires a person who has been convicted of any sex
- 15 offense classified as a tier IV offense to register as a sex
- 16 offender in this state as long as the person resides in this
- 17 state.
- 18 The bill establishes the registration requirements for a
- 19 tier IV offender which are different from other sex offenders
- 20 who are required to register. Under the bill, a tier IV
- 21 offender shall, within 30 days of establishing a residence in
- 22 this state, appear in person to register with the sheriff of
- 23 the county where the principal residence of the offender is
- 24 maintained. At the time of registration the tier IV offender
- 25 is required to provide the sheriff with the offender's name,
- 26 date of birth, residence, and a photograph. Current law
- 27 provides that any new sex offender registrant must register
- 28 with the sheriff of the county where the principal residence is
- 29 maintained within five days of being required to do so and also
- 30 requires a sex offender to provide more relevant information
- 31 to the county sheriff. The relevant information required to
- 32 be provided to the county sheriff is listed in Code section
- 33 692A.101(23).
- The bill does not require a tier IV offender to periodically
- 35 verify any relevant information or to notify the county sheriff

- 1 when certain relevant information has changed. However,
- 2 the bill does require a tier IV offender who establishes
- 3 a different residence in this state to, within 30 days of
- 4 establishing such a residence, appear in person to register
- 5 with the sheriff of the county where the principal residence
- 6 is maintained even if that different principal residence is
- 7 in the same county as the previous residence and provide the
- 8 county sheriff with the relevant information required by the
- 9 bill including allowing the sheriff to photograph the offender.
- 10 The bill requires a tier IV offender to pay \$25 to the
- 11 sheriff of the county of principal residence at any time when
- 12 the offender is required to register, including when the
- 13 offender establishes a different principal residence. Current
- 14 law requires a sex offender to pay a \$25 annual fee to the
- 15 county sheriff.
- 16 A tier IV offender who violates the bill commits an
- 17 aggravated misdemeanor for a first offense and a class "D"
- 18 felony for any second or subsequent offense. A tier IV
- 19 offender is guilty of a class "C" felony if the offender
- 20 is convicted of an aggravated offense against a minor, a
- 21 sex offense against a minor, or a sexually violent offense
- 22 committed while in violation of any of the requirements
- 23 specified in the bill.
- 24 Depending on the nature of the offense committed in the
- 25 other jurisdiction, a tier IV offender may be subject to
- 26 exclusion zones and prohibition of certain employment-related
- 27 activities under Code section 692A.113, residency and child
- 28 care restrictions under Code section 692A.114, and restricted
- 29 employment where dependent adults reside under Code section
- 30 692A.115.
- 31 A tier IV offender is not eligible to modify the registration
- 32 requirements pursuant to Code section 692A.128.